

**Privatisation of Civic Amenities**

5137. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government for the privatisation of Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Sectors;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether available resources are inadequate to meet the short and long-term needs of these vital sectors; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, including the allocation of funds proposed for these sectors during the Ninth Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) It is the policy of the Government to encourage private investment in providing infrastructural facilities. However, as water supply and sanitation is a State subject, it is mainly for the State Governments and Urban Local Bodies to take a view in the matter.

(c) and (d) The Working Group constituted by the Planning Commission for Urban Water Supply and Sanitation sector has estimated that approximately Rs. 51000 crores will be required for the Urban Water Supply and Sanitation sector during the Ninth Five Year Plan period. Accordingly, Planning Commission has been requested for consideration in the Ninth Plan which has not yet been finalised by the Planning Commission.

**Vacant Shops**

5138. SHRI MANGAL RAM PREMI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the list of shops in Delhi, constructed by the Directorate of Estates, New Delhi Municipal Corporation, Municipal Corporation of Delhi and Delhi Development Authority are lying vacant/unallotted;

(b) the areas/markets in which these are lying vacant;

(c) since when these are lying vacant/unallotted along with the reasons thereof and the steps taken to allot these shops or to auction them;

(d) the minimum licence fee charged and the minimum reserve price of these shops; and

(e) the reasons for not renting out these shops to unemployed youths and retired Government servants on minimum licence fee or on minimum reserve price, as the case may be ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) The list of shops lying vacant/unallotted in Delhi and the areas/markets in which these are lying vacant, as reported by the Directorate of Estates, New Delhi Municipal Corporation, Municipal Corporation of Delhi and the Delhi Development Authority, who constructed them, are given in the attached Statement-I. Besides these, the Directorate of Estates has reported that a large number of vacant/unallotted shops.

(c) The dates since when these shops are lying vacant alongwith reasons therefor and steps taken to allot them have been given in the attached Statement-II in respect of NDMC, MCD and the Directorate of Estates. The DDA has reported that the reasons for non-allotment of their shops are (i) due to recession in money market; (ii) non-availability of electricity by Delhi Vidyut Board; and (iii) residential premises around the shopping Complexes being misused for commercial purposes. All-out efforts are being made by them to put these vacant shops to open auction as frequently as possible and also for allotment to the eligible categories.

(d) The minimum licence fee and the minimum reserve price of the vacant shops of the Directorate of Estates is given in the Statement.

The NDMC has reported that their shops are allotted on open tender basis to the highest tenderer and the minimum reserve price/licence fee is fixed on the basis of cost of construction which varies from shop to shop.

The MCD has reported that their shops are allotted by inviting seal tenders to the highest tenderer on monthly license fee basis for a period of five years.

The shops constructed by DDA, as reported by them, are disposed of through auction/tender and allotment made to eligible reserved categories etc. The reserve price are got updated as and when these shops are due for disposal.

(e) There is no such policy in Directorate of Estates, NDMC, MCD and the DDA to rent out vacant shops to unemployed youths and retired Government servants on minimum licence fee/reserve price.

**Statement-I**

S No	Shop No	Locality	Date of vacation	Minimum Licence Fee	Minimum Reserve Price	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Stall No. 3	Lodhi Road Complex Centre-II	New Construction	Rs. 448/-	Rs. 2240/-	It was put up to tender, but no one applied. It is again being processed for tender. will be put to tender.
2.	Plat Form No 1 to 10	Lodhi Road Complex Centre-II	-do-	Rs. 51/-	to be decided	
3.	Stall No. 1 & 9	B K.S. Marg	-do-	Rs. 591/-	to be decided	-do-
4.	Plat Form No. 1 to 7	-do-	-do-	Rs. 111/-	-do-	-do-